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HONEY MARKET FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2004 IN VOLUMES OF 10,000 POUNDS OR GREATER UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Prices paid to beekeepers for extracted, unprocessed honey in major producing states by packers, handlers & other large users, cents per pound, f.o.b. or delivered nearby, containers exchanged or returned, prompt delivery & payment unless otherwise stated.

- REPORT INCLUDES BOTH NEW AND OLD CROP HONEY -

ARKANSAS	- Soybean, light amber, 70 - 75¢
CALIFORNIA	- Clover, white, \$1.04 - Cotton, light amber, 74¢ - Mixed Flowers, extra light amber, 60¢ - \$1.09 (higher price, small lot) - Mixed Flowers, light amber, 60 - 70¢ (higher price, small lot) - Star Thistle, light amber, 79¢ - Wildflowers, light amber, 69¢
COLORADO	- Alfalfa, light amber, 70¢
FLORIDA	- Gallberry, extra light amber, \$1.15* - Cut Comb, extra light amber, \$1.50* - - - - - Cut Comb, dark amber, \$1.25* - Gallberry, light amber, 99¢ - Mixed Flowers, light amber, \$1.50* (small lot) - Orange Blossom, white, \$1.29 (small lot) - - - - - Orange Blossom, extra light amber, \$1.15* - Saw Palmetto, extra light amber, \$1.15* * Previously contracted
IOWA	- Clover, extra light amber, \$1.05
IDAHO	- Alfalfa, extra light amber, 88¢ - - - - - Alfalfa, amber, 66¢ - Clover, white, \$1.00 - 1.10 - - - - - Clover, extra light amber, 85¢ - \$1.08 - Clover, amber, 60 - 70¢ - Wildflowers, amber, 70¢ - - - - - Wildflowers, Melter, amber, 62¢
LOUISIANA	- Wildflowers, light amber, 70¢ (small lot)
KANSAS	- Alfalfa, light amber, 90¢
MICHIGAN	- Alfalfa, white, 68¢ (small lot) - Clover, white, \$1.00 - 1.05 - - - - - Clover, extra light amber, \$1.00 - Star Thistle, white, \$1.03
MINNESOTA	- Basswood-Lindon-Mint, white \$1.05 - - - - - Basswood-Lindon-Mint, extra light amber, 85¢ - Clover, white, \$1.05
MONTANA	- Alfalfa, white, \$1.14 - Clover, white, \$1.05 - \$1.14 - - - - - Clover, extra light amber, 90¢ - \$1.10 - Clover, light amber, 90¢
NORTH DAKOTA	- Alfalfa, extra light amber, \$1.05 - - - - - Alfalfa, light amber, 78¢ - Alfalfa, amber, 70¢ - Clover, white, \$1.05 - 1.10 - - - - - Clover, extra light amber, \$1.00 - 1.20

OHIO	- Alfalfa, white, \$1.05 ----- Alfalfa, extra light amber, 90¢
OREGON	- Alfalfa, white, \$1.08 ----- Alfalfa, extra light amber, 89¢ - \$1.08 (higher price, small lot) - Alfalfa, light amber, 69¢
SOUTH DAKOTA	- Alfalfa, white, \$1.00 ----- Alfalfa, light amber, 83¢ - Clover, white, \$1.05 – 1.14 ---- Clover, extra light amber, \$1.05 - Clover, light amber, 70¢
TEXAS	- Cotton, extra light amber, 90 - 95¢ ----- Cotton, light amber, 70 - 90¢ (lower price, small lot) - Mesquite, extra light amber, 95¢
UTAH	- Clover, white, \$1.05 ----- amber, 70¢
WASHINGTON	- Clover, extra light amber, \$1.04 (small lot) - Spurge, light amber, 69¢ ----- Spurge, amber, 66¢ - Wildflower, Melder, amber, 62¢
WISCONSIN	- Alfalfa, white, \$1.00 ----- Alfalfa, extra light amber, \$1.00
WYOMING	- Clover, white, \$1.05

Prices paid to Canadian beekeepers for unprocessed bulk honey by packers & importers in U.S. currency, f.o.b. shipping point, containers included unless otherwise stated. Duty & crossing charges extra. Cents per pound.

ALBERTA	- Mixed Flowers, white, \$1.05
PROVINCE NOT REPORTED	- Canola, white, 94 - 99¢

Prices paid to importers for bulk honey, duty paid, containers included, cents per pound ex-dock or point of entry unless otherwise stated.

EAST COAST.....	ARGENTINA	- Mixed Flowers, white, 95 - 99¢ - - - Mixed Flowers, extra light amber, 95 - 99¢
	BRAZIL	- Mixed Flowers, light amber, 86¢
	CHINA	- Mixed Flowers, white, 63¢
	MEXICO	- Mixed Flowers, light amber, 78 - 86¢
	PAKISTAN	- Mixed Flowers, extra light amber, 82 - 99¢
	UKRAINE	- Mixed Flowers, extra light amber, 94¢
WEST COAST.....	CHINA	- Acacia, white, 55 1/2¢

COLONY, HONEY PLANT AND MARKET CONDITIONS DURING DECEMBER, 2004

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT – (MD, PA, VA, WV) . . .

December experienced above normal temperatures in December with average precipitation. Colony activity is minimal. Most beekeepers are keeping a watchful eye on colonies and attending local meetings. They are also tending to equipment maintenance and repair during this slower time of year. Most commercial bees are in southern locations.

ARIZONA . . .

Early temperatures were below normal in all parts of the state but warmed to near normal the balance of the month. Frequent scattered precipitation fell throughout the month allowing for some areas to exceed or nearly reach normal levels for the year. Bee activity on desert & backyard plant bloom was limited. Some colonies are being prepared for movement in the next month to other locations for pollination of nut & fruit trees.

ARKANSAS . . .

Nectar and Pollen sources are few and far between. Bee colonies are still somewhat strong and healthy. Weather has been warmer and dryer than normal. No honey production this time of year. Some beekeepers are feeding their hives. The demand is pretty much the same.

CALIFORNIA ...

In Northern California, Mt. Shasta accumulated 5.73" (285% of normal) during the first 12 days of December. From the 6th to the 8th, rainfall totaled 10" at several locations across the State. The next week, a high pressure system developed warm, dry, windy conditions. In contrast, San Diego set a record on the 18th when they reached 83 degrees. Snow packs in the Sierra Nevada Mountains remains higher than normal for this time of year. The warm, fairly dry conditions continued through Christmas Day with several areas again setting records when daytime highs reached the low 80's. The next day, another series of storms returned causing local flooding and mudslides and additional snow to the mountains. On the 27th and 28th, another storm brought daily-record rainfall totals to locations such as Santa Barbara (4.61") and downtown Los Angeles (5.55"). The storms also produced record winds on the 29th in San Diego (58 mph) and San Francisco (59 mph). The last two days of this year, Sacramento had daily-record rainfall totals of 1.37" and .67". Snow in the mountains was measured in feet.

Bees are reported to be in fair condition but most beekeepers are struggling to keep their colonies healthy. Mites are still the main thing causing problems, both in local bees and those coming from out-of-state for almond pollination next month. Weather conditions that went from record rain and cold temperatures to record highs didn't help as bees were only able to leave their hives for cleansing flights on a few days. Beekeepers have been feeding heavily to try to maintain a good colony size. A few producers even tried moving their bees to the coast but the cold, rainy weather hit there too. As pollination contracts are finalized with almond growers, the prices this year are nearly double last year's rental fee. Many beekeepers still fear there won't be an adequate number of colonies to pollinate all the almonds this year.

Packers report sales dropped off in December after a strong November. They also purchased very little honey and some still have adequate inventories in their own warehouses that was brought in earlier last year.

COLORADO ...

Temperatures were slightly warmer than normal in Colorado. Some bees are being wintered in Colorado while others are heading to California. For the past few years, yearly losses have been right around 30 percent, according to local beekeepers. This last year may have been more severe due to complications in treating the Varroa mites. Pollination fees are reported to range from \$55-80 per hive.

FLORIDA...

The effects of Florida's summer of 4 hurricanes are still being felt. Because of habitat destruction during the storms, beekeepers that have never had to feed their bees in the past are forced to do so this year. The effects on the citrus bloom will not be known for several months.

The early part of December brought our normal cold weather. However, the latter part of the month was unusually warm. Maples and elm are starting to produce pollen. If the weather turns cold again in January or February production from these major pollen producers could be limited.

Parasites continue to be a major problem. Colonies are at greater risk this year. Massive habitat destruction during the summer has placed more bees in weakened condition. As with any form of agriculture, beekeeping is dependent on nature.

GEORGIA ...

Colonies around the state were in mostly good condition. Some colonies during the month continued to be in need of additional feeding with sugar or corn syrup. During December there were no significant sources of pollen and nectar. Colony populations continued to decline in the normal over-wintering pattern. Weather during December featured warm to mild days and cool to cold nights early in December, then cool to cold days and cold nights including sub-freezing conditions in mid-December followed by much above average, warm days and cool nights during the last week of the month. Moisture conditions were generally adequate.

IDAHO ...

The temperatures in December were cold for the most of the month, however, there were a few days that were above normal. There wasn't much moisture during the month and very little snow. The weather was mostly a mute point as the bees were being stored so they could stock-pile before they head to California for almond pollination in January. Reports of devastating losses due to the Varroa mites have been rumored throughout the United States but most Idaho beekeepers haven't opened their hives since they closed them in October. Any losses will be noted in January's report. Most beekeepers have been working on repairing equipment and getting ready for next year's honey crop.

Pollination fees for California almonds are higher this year than they were last. \$55.00 was agreed on for the early contracts but fees for later contracts have ranged from \$60.00 to \$100.00. During the last couple weeks there have been bidding wars with rumors of high fees being agreed upon.

The demand for honey has been light.

ILLINOIS ...

During the month of December, most of the state experienced mostly cloudy conditions. The weather was warmer than normal the first of the month with temperatures ranging from a low in the mid-30's to highs in the mid to upper 60's. By mid-month, temperatures moderated to highs in the mid-40's and over night lows in the mid-30's. The last of the month, temperatures were in the normal ranges of the mid-teens to highs in the 30's. The lowest temperatures reported were a low of minus 5 the 24th and a low of minus 10 the 25th. The southern section received record or near record snowfall on the 22nd and 23rd with some snow ranges of 20-30" reported.

Honey sales and the movement of wax were reported good due to holiday demand.

INDIANA ...

The main activities of beekeepers during December was removing treatment strips and preparing equipment for the spring season. Most beekeepers attended local and regional meetings during the month. New beekeeper interest was continuing to grow and many new beekeepers have been attending beekeeping schools. Beekeepers also checked their hives as the weather permitted. Weather conditions were favorable for bees over wintering. Record or near record snow fall was reported on the 24th and 25th with Evansville, in the southern section, reporting 30 inches. Most of the heavy snowfall was reported as far as Terre Haute located in the mid-state. The high temperature for the month was 69 degrees on the 6th and the low for the month was 10 below zero.

Bulk honey movement was fairly good due to holiday baking. Retail sales were reported moderate.

MINNESOTA ...

Temperatures during the month of December were slightly above normal with parts of the state receiving very little snow. Some bees are in Louisiana and Texas for the winter trying to stay dry and keep warm. There has been some supplemental feeding going on. Other bees are in California for the almond pollination. There have been unofficial reports of losses between 30 and 75% because of the mite's resistance to the chemicals used to treat them. It is the opinion of a few local beekeepers that losses are so severe that some beekeeper may not be able to recover enough to replace the hives that have been lost.

Last year, California almond pollination fees were \$62.00 per hive. This year, fees have been doubled to \$120.00 for 10 frames of bees. Some beekeepers are shipping bees that are being stored in Texas to California because the pollination fees are so good.

The demand for light colored honey has been light and the demand for dark honey has been almost non-existent. The packers have been stagnant and not buying honey, unless the price is low enough. Light colored honey has been running \$.95-\$1.05 per lb.

MISSISSIPPI ...

Colonies around the state were in mostly good condition. Some colonies during the month were in need of additional feeding with sugar or corn syrup, or with stores of surplus honey transferred from other hives. During December, in southern Mississippi there were no significant sources of pollen and nectar. In the central and northern portions of the state, there was a relatively small amount of pollen gathered from domestic plants as the weather (statewide) was warmer than normal for the first and last portions of the month with cold weather (including sub-freezing nights and early mornings) during the middle portion of the month. For the state as a whole, moisture conditions were generally adequate and colony populations continued to decline during December in the normal over-wintering pattern.

Trade sources report honey prices paid to producers continuing to decline in response to competition from imports.

MONTANA ...

Long term precipitation deficit conditions persisted generally in Montana during December as conditions were generally mild and dry. Year to date totals thru December 12th included 7.63 inches, (62 percent), in Cut Bank MT. and 11.67 inches, (68 percent), in Lewistown Mt. The largest weather swing occurred mid month when on December 19th temperatures of 60 and 59 degrees were recorded in Miles City and Great Falls respectively. Four days later a cold front caused temperatures to plunge, an overnight temperature of -25 degrees was recorded in Havre Mt.

Beekeepers continued trucking colonies from warmer southeastern locations of Montana to wintering locations in California during early December. Hives wintering over in Montana had earlier been packed in their winter packs and had settled down to the lower daytime high temperatures. Beekeepers continued trips to wintering areas to check on hive security and conditions.

NEW ENGLAND ...

Temperatures for the New England region were above normal for the month of December. Highs were in the mid to upper 40s with a high of 61 degrees reached on the 23rd. Lows were in the mid-20s with a low of 6 degrees on the morning of the 21st.

Precipitation was slightly below average with 4.23 inches, a decrease of .63 inches from normal. The first significant snow fall on the 21st spread up to 6 inches across the region.

NORTH CAROLINA ...

The weather in the month of December has been very unpredictable. North Carolina experienced a cold snap around the 20th of December with a front of arctic air that brought temperatures down to about 10 degrees in the Piedmont and near zero in the Mountain areas. Since that time, temperatures have ranged as much as 20 degrees warmer than normal through out the state with some high 60s in the mountains and 70s in the Piedmont according to the National Weather Service. There is some concern that the warm weather could cause some early blooming on strawberries and some ornamental shrubs. If the warm weather continues, there may be more concern on fruit orchards also.

With the limited supplies of honey available, honey sales were good during the holiday season.

NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA ...

The first three weeks of December were unseasonably dry with less than .25" of precipitation recorded across both states. Wind gusts of 75 mph moved across Stark County, North Dakota and 58 mph in South Dakota on the 11th. Aberdeen, South Dakota season-to-date snowfall of 0.6" was

NORTH AND SOUTH DAKOTA continued

it's second lowest total on record through December 18th. The first measurable snow (only 0.2") of the season fell on the 20th in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. By the end of the month, snow covered much of the Dakotas with freezing rain reported in Fargo, North Dakota. Temperatures were also mild most of the month with daytime averages as much as 13 degrees above normal. With the snow came the cold and areas that had above normal temperatures were now recording nighttime lows minus 15 to minus 24 degrees.

With daytime highs in the 40's and 50's, most of December, bees would frequently leave their hives that are covered and sitting in winter locations. With no food sources available, beekeepers were forced to keep adding feed until temperatures cooled off enough for them to cluster back in their hives. Migratory beekeepers continued to move their bees to Texas and California.

OKLAHOMA ...

No nectar sources in this area, pollen from evergreen trees. Colonies seem to be doing well. There is some feeding going on to insure the bees don't run out of food. We have had a very mild but wet fall and winter so far. No honey production currently. Honey supply is short and the demand is great.

Oklahoma beekeepers are assisting the Department of Agriculture Apiary Inspector for a new set of rules for a new Apiary Act. We hope to have something ready to go before the legislatures in early February.

TEXAS ...

Feeding on what is left of the wild flowers, and still feeding on cotton. Colonies remain in good condition. Weather had been warmer than usual for this time of year. The supply and demand remains good. More hives are starting to be fed.

UTAH ...

The majority of the bees are either in California or scheduled to be hauled by mid-January. One beekeeper lost a load of bees on Las Vegas streets, 448 hives with anywhere from 30,000 to 70,000 bees in each hive (13.4 million to 31.4 million bees). According to national news reports concerning the accident, the bees had to be destroyed with water as there was no feasible way to rescue them. There is a lot of press covering the national shortage of bees in the country. One Utah apiarist reported that half the bees in North America may die due to the fact that the Varroa mite has become resistant to the two chemicals used to treat them. However, much like Idaho, the total amount of bees lost to the mite is yet unknown as not all of the hives have been opened and won't be until mid-January when beekeepers check them before transporting them to California. Pollination fees for California almonds range from \$60 to \$80. The fees may raise in February as that is when the hives are placed in the orchards and when it will be known if the shortage is as bad as feared. The demand for honey in December was strong in Utah.

WASHINGTON ...

The State was fairly dry and a little warmer than normal the first couple of weeks of December. The Pacific coast did receive 4" or rain the beginning of the month. On the 18th, Olympia set a daily-record high of 56 degrees. The west-side of the State received a little more precipitation the week of the 19th but the interior northwest was mostly bypassed by any storms that moved through. This is the third month that very little precipitation was recorded which is beginning to cause concern for irrigation water from reservoirs later. The week between Christmas and New Year's, many areas of central and Eastern Washington finally received measurable snow. Yakima accumulated over an inch the last day of the year.

The bees appear to be in fairly good condition in Central and Eastern Washington but cool, cloudy weather kept them in their hives. Nighttime lows were beginning to drop by the end of the month. Most beekeepers did not open the hives to check on the colonies but they did not see any signs of disease.

Many migratory beekeepers went to check on their bees that are currently sitting in holding yards in California. Much more supplemental feed was added along with mite treatments. In some cases, the stormy weather and significant amounts of rain prevented them from even getting to their hives.

WISCONSIN ...

The temperatures the first of the month were milder than normal. Precipitation the first of the month was about average with snowfall limited to the upper section. Mid-month, most of Wisconsin received more normal snowfall. Some beekeepers finished pulling fall mite strips from their hives. Most beekeepers had begun supplemental feeding. Due to weather conditions most hives were overwintering well. Cleansing flights were restricted due to windy days.

Honey and wax sales were good due to the holiday cooking demand. The main beekeeper activity for the month had been attending local beekeepers meetings and repairing bee equipment.

U.S. EXPORTS OF HONEY BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION, QUANTITY & VALUE

	<u>O C T O B E R 2 0 0 4</u>		<u>Y E A R T O D A T E 2 0 0 4</u>	
	QUANTITY Kilograms	VALUE Dollars	QUANTITY Kilograms	VALUE Dollars
COMB HONEY & HONEY PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE ----- DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE				
Aruba	---	---	1,209	9,287
The Bahamas	---	---	1,588	3,710
Bahrain	---	---	1,951	5,608
Bermuda	---	---	1,090	5,044
China, Peoples Rep. of	4,003	13,170	22,467	75,951
Dominican Republic	---	---	1,083	9,959
France	---	---	4,057	5,321
Haiti	---	---	528	2,591
Hong Kong	---	---	37,033	66,053
Israel	---	---	19,200	10,236
Japan	---	---	73,590	148,896
Korea, Republic of	39,585	112,518	107,325	237,416
Kuwait	---	---	169,452	228,674
Malaysia	---	---	16,069	21,076
Mexico	---	---	2,333	3,060
Netherlands Antilles (ex. Aruba)	---	---	2,029	10,777
Philippines	---	---	194,077	275,402
Saudi Arabia	8,836	2,848	385,566	515,564
Turkey	---	---	3,000	7,248
United Arab Emirates	---	---	60,802	79,755
Yemen	18,966	57,575	173,066	398,864#
SUB-TOTAL	71,390	186,111	1,277,515	2,120,491

HONEY, NATURAL, NOT ELSEWHERE INDICATED OR SPECIFIED ----- DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE				
Aruba	561	2,579	561	2,579
Australia	---	---	13,440	33,000
Bahamas	---	---	2,678	6,817
Bahrain	---	---	2,105	10,683
Barbados	1,122	5,158	5,090	18,532
Bermuda	---	---	10,003	45,256
Canada	26,566	77,030	340,338	835,338
Cayman Islands	---	---	972	3,672
Chile	---	---	42,842	112,406
China, Peoples Rep. of	17,440	33,792	172,438	324,465
Costa Rica	6,603	21,759	44,156	125,917
Denmark	---	---	17,340	22,745
France	---	---	1,088	3,996
Germany	---	---	38,746	73,659
Guatemala	561	2,579	561	2,579
Guyana	---	---	1,687	5,357
Hong Kong	---	---	510	4,092
Indonesia	---	---	19,976	48,360
Israel	---	---	230,400	398,848
Japan	6,270	20,088	207,093	701,159
Korea, Republic of	1,179	2,626	65,384	135,683
Kuwait	---	---	232,017	356,706
Mexico	---	---	9,717	12,745
Nepal	---	---	1,642	8,823
New Zealand*	2,722	9,471	2,722	9,471
Oman	---	---	13,022	17,080
Pakistan	---	---	11,371	9,847

EXPORTS continued...

Panama	2,242	10,315	2,242	10,315
Philippines	---	---	51,078	192,060
Qatar	---	---	4,741	16,757
Saudi Arabia	---	---	33,387	91,964
Singapore	---	---	19,766	25,926
Taiwan	---	---	35,434	12,600
United Arab Emirates	---	---	63,720	83,583
Yemen	---	---	2,688	65,293

SUB-TOTAL	65,226	185,397	1,719,955	3,828,313
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GRAND TOTAL	136,616	371,508	2,997,470	5,948,805
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CORRECTION...Year To Date – Value should have read 341,289 in the December, 2004 report.

U. S. IMPORTS OF HONEY BY COUNTRY, QUANTITY AND VALUE

COUNTRY	O C T O B E R 2004			Y E A R T O D A T E 2004		
	QUANTITY kilograms	CUSTOMS VALUE dollars	C.I.F. VALUE dollars	QUANTITY kilograms	CUSTOMS VALUE dollars	C.I.F. VALUE dollars
NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - - WHITE						
Argentina	430,009	985,683	1,049,462	1,075,225	2,316,894	2,451,536
Australia	---	---	---	604,112	1,394,428	1,430,470
Brazil	57,460	98,835	107,072	433,807	1,014,177	1,074,587
Bulgaria	12,684	23,667	25,267	12,684	23,667	25,267
Canada	1,106,065	2,635,067	2,645,332	6,675,891	19,140,594	19,277,863
Chile	---	---	---	330,724	897,194	925,210
China, Peoples Rep. of	2,508,219	2,816,891	3,223,959	11,558,081	15,411,440	17,089,509
Germany	---	---	---	108,092	231,180	241,420
Hungary	36,600	73,710	76,860	51,542	106,328	113,468
India	---	---	---	1,646,532	2,860,745	3,044,556
Indonesia	---	---	---	144,667	239,048	260,177
Mexico	126,4588	43,181	251,584	466,074	1,098,176	1,125,502
Moldova, Republic of	---	---	---	18,820	35,479	37,264
New Zealand*	---	---	---	3,677	20,996	21,916
Pakistan	73,160	114,000	124,250	320,160	493,935	537,426
Peru	---	---	---	352,370	768,194	808,035
Poland	---	---	---	132,240	301,429	309,957
Russian Federation	245,536	316,725	367,911	529,171	736,923	882,609
Spain	---	---	---	435	5,272	5,349
Turkey	19,200	27,138	28,608	119,400	250,652	263,382
Ukraine	19,200	42,302	43,776	155,301	326,854	338,080
United Kingdom	---	---	---	15,725	44,393	46,357
Uruguay	---	---	---	529,819	1,218,806	1,242,330
Vietnam	---	---	---	59,136	86,304	86,306
SUB-TOTAL	4,634,591	7,377,199	7,944,081	25,343,685	49,023,108	51,638,576
NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - - EXTRA LIGHT AMBER						
Argentina	47,879	100,182	105,604	47,879	100,182	105,604
Australia	---	---	---	97,500	199,727	207,177
Austria	---	---	---	5,308	27,824	29,616
Brazil	38,640	65,602	71,102	103,343	204,514	214,473
Canada	---	---	---	93,813	234,037	234,848

IMPORTS Continued...

Chile	57,368	106,060	111,843	304,530	697,496	722,231
China, Peoples Rep. of	570,430	591,687	680,159	2,688,610	3,232,760	3,567,722
Egypt	40,185	79,800	83,511	119,385	229,884	241,344
Guatemala	---	---	---	20,100	37,688	39,876
India	116,812	132,539	143,559	116,812	132,539	143,559
Indonesia	111,360	82,274	100,224	1,185,520	1,139,409	1,358,394
Mexico	119,591	227,988	234,279	445,131	1,038,377	1,065,633
Peru	19,500	29,850	32,850	19,500	29,850	32,850
Romania	---	---	---	37,797	88,663	92,646
Russian Federation	---	---	---	71,760	116,392	123,146
Thailand	98,600	157,760	175,260	98,600	157,760	175,260
Turkey	---	---	---	96,000	198,400	201,844
Ukraine	---	---	---	35,917	71,630	76,201
Uruguay	21,878	57,087	68,026	1,172,363	2,666,296	2,768,320
Vietnam	---	---	---	266,248	408,477	449,780
SUB-TOTAL	1,242,243	1,630,829	1,806,417	7,026,116	11,011,905	11,850,524

NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE - - - LIGHT AMBER

Argentina	210,268	391,610	401,817	308,408	590,458	616,233
Armenia, Rep. of	---	---	---	6,560	31,289	34,320
Brazil	245,993	417,461	449,218	1,766,785	3,726,976	3,994,000
Bulgaria	37,800	70,791	76,545	359,118	801,333	845,010
Canada	---	---	---	38,624	122,388	124,283
Chile	19,066	34,433	34,930	189,458	412,112	432,207
China, Peoples Rep. of	767,470	564,193	627,553	5,411,616	5,077,866	5,540,347
Czech Republic	---	---	---	204,025	490,241	509,716
Dominican Republic	---	---	---	2,298	4,605	4,747
Egypt	2,043	4,086	5,162	4,619	10,807	12,777
France	1,346	9,874	10,374	5,310	33,001	35,059
Germany	---	---	---	115,222	263,941	276,646
Hungary	13,268	53,036	55,136	13,268	53,036	55,136
India	676,860	706,807	795,716	3,786,645	5,448,060	5,975,344
Indonesia	18,560	22,365	25,165	74,240	78,897	81,947
Israel	---	---	---	7,301	36,875	39,617
Italy	---	---	---	400	2,644	2,736
Kenya	---	---	---	1,253	5,658	6,956
Lithuania	---	---	---	23,847	110,968	114,331
Mexico	51,516	68,289	71,596	481,594	949,015	975,812
New Zealand*	---	---	---	23,847	110,968	114,331
Pakistan	---	---	---	38,000	56,164	62,001
Peru	---	---	---	138,392	298,060	311,949
Poland	16,641	30,475	32,450	16,641	30,475	32,450
Portugal	---	---	---	214	2,616	2,718
Romania	19,156	33,128	33,593	698,290	1,649,121	1,714,531
Russian Federation	97,862	153,207	165,400	135,662	218,412	280,605
Spain	---	---	---	6,729	49,926	52,752
Switzerland	2,093	6,529	7,429	3,936	16,343	17,844
Taiwan	---	---	---	20,940	47,760	51,025
Thailand	---	---	---	613,500	1,239,834	1,314,022
Turkey	---	---	---	205,000	535,346	564,962
Ukraine	2,630	5,770	6,234	673,181	1,456,811	1,517,861
Uruguay	20,670	23,082	26,082	1,002,737	2,048,588	2,136,791
Vietnam	1,151,142	1,268,546	1,424,448	8,237,208	10,493,058	11,742,215
SUB-TOTAL	3,354,384	3,863,682	4,248,848	24,592,777	36,399,074	39,485,744

*IMPORTS continued...***NATURAL HONEY, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE – NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED OR INDICATED**

Australia	---	---	---	10,427	65,128	67,055
Brazil	22,391	49,116	62,875	125,108	299,753	333,189
Canada	3,227	7,290	8,083	108,966	190,897	192,778
Chile	---	---	---	19,010	35,169	37,169
China, Republic of	---	---	---	249,241	224,656	256,756
Djibouti Arars-Issas	---	---	---	693	2,426	2,659
Dominican Republic	---	---	---	94,544	53,840	60,156
Egypt	---	---	---	3,870	4,485	5,027
Ethiopia	---	---	---	1,054	2,108	2,468
France	326	4,521	7,921	1,511	24,352	32,921
Greece	---	---	---	395	2,024	2,105
Hong Kong	---	---	---	7,776	49,248	51,399
Israel	---	---	---	8,339	26,861	28,515
Italy	---	---	---	5,086	19,120	21,408
Malaysia	---	---	---	41,412	90,000	95,300
Mexico	30,314	37,728	37,924	699,327	1,714,398	1,735,147
Poland	---	---	---	9,327	20,682	21,769
Portugal	---	---	---	4,040	9,472	9,829
Romania	---	---	---	39,622	118,747	126,247
Switzerland	1,174	11,794	12,495	19,231	166,958	175,031
Taiwan	---	---	---	30,579	100,746	102,543
Thailand	---	---	---	18,000	29,700	30,528
Turkey	---	---	---	600	4,200	4,642
United Kingdom	---	---	---	394	3,243	3,719
Vietnam	117,000	119,925	139,245	117,000	117,925	139,245
SUB-TOTAL	174,432	230,374	268,493	1,615,552	3,378,138	3,537,605
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GRAND TOTAL	9,405,650	13,102,084	14,267,839	58,578,130	99,812,225	106,512,449
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* Excluding Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau

SOURCE: Department of Commerce, Foreign Trade Division